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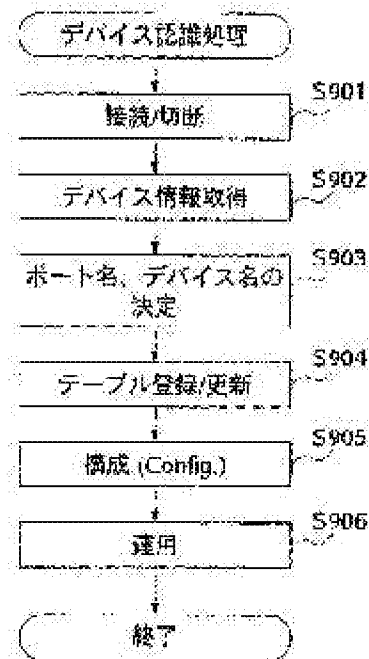
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(54) NETWORK DEVICE AND DEVICE SHARING METHOD

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a network device allowing a plurality of devices to be easily connected to a network at low cost, and the devices to be easily shared between terminals on the network, and a device sharing method.

SOLUTION: This network device comprises a CPU 101, a radio LAN card 105, a card slot 106, a LAN interface 111, a USB host controller 113, and two USB ports 112. In various types of network systems by an ad hoc mode, an infrastructure mode, a wire print server mode, and a radio LAN access point mode, the network device is connected to various types of devices such as a printer 304 and a hard disk 325 through a USB, and the various types of the connected devices are set so as to be shared among a plurality of clients 301 on the network system.



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